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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Vogelsang et al.  
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For: METHOD FOR OPTIMIZING THE UTILIZATION RATIO IN  
A DRIVE UNIT AND DRIVE UNIT  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application in the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.